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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency Web site. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In March 2010 the Medical Commission charged physician **Sophia S. Chang** (MD00036177) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly abused and negligently treated a patient by assaulting the patient and taking away her written prescriptions.

Chelan County

In March 2010 the Board of Hearing and Speech charged audiologist **Douglas E. Moomaw** (LD00001173) with unprofessional conduct. He was convicted of driving under the influence and allegedly failed to notify the Department of Health of the conviction. He also allegedly cancelled appointments with patients due to his intoxication and was intoxicated while he saw patients.

Clallam County

In March 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program charged **Ceirra K. Reynolds** (HC00154946) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly identified herself as a registered nurse, and provided pharmaceutical samples to a patient without clearance from a medical provider.

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Cowlitz County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Breanna K. Jenkins** (NC60102246) and placed her certification on probation for one year. She entered into an agreed stipulation and order of continuance for the charge of theft. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

Grays Harbor County

In March 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Miguel Angel Mejia Mendoza** (CO60136237) and placed his credential on probation for three years. Terms and conditions were placed against his credential to practice as a registered counselor. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his registration.

Jefferson County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of **Rebekah M. Folz** (NA60134207) and placed her registration on probation for one year. She was convicted of theft in 2004, and has an order of continuance on a 2009 charge of theft. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

King County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the certification of certified nursing assistant **Danielle Jo Breivik** (NC10031342).

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of **Ariana Celine Garin** (NA60131061) and placed conditions against her registration. She was convicted of possession of marijuana and must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In March 2010 the Counselor Program granted the application of agency affiliated registered counselor **Ebonee Heller** (CG60121313) and placed her registration on probation for one year. She was convicted of theft, violation of the controlled substance act — possession without a prescription, and possession of a controlled substance other than marijuana, and has a deferred prosecution for driving under the influence. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission released physician **Leonico G. Panlasigui** (MD00021383) from terms and conditions set against his license. Dr. Panlasigui's license is unrestricted in Washington.

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the application of certified nursing assistant **Jane Lanatte Rude** (NC60129135) and placed her certification on probation for one year. She was convicted of possession of cocaine. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

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In March 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program granted the application of **Julie Rae Tello** (HC60128994) and placed her license on probation for one year. She entered into a stay/deferral agreement for charges of assault — domestic violence, and criminal mischief — domestic violence. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Kitsap County

In March 2010 the Dental Commission granted the application of dental assistant **Kristi R. Anderson** (D160101792) and placed her registration on probation for two years. She was convicted of resisting arrest/failing to stop/fleeing, possession of drug paraphernalia, and two counts of possession/illegally obtained prescription. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In March 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program terminated the order of probation against **Liana C. Campos** (HC60001664).

In March 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of **Sarah E. Eichhorn** (CP60116500) and placed her license on probation for two years. She was convicted of custodial interference, assault on more than one occasion, forgery, residential burglary, and two counts of possession of stolen property. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Klickitat County

In March 2010 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program denied the application for emergency medical technician of **Kerry J. Newton** (ES60095413). Newton was convicted of possessing controlled substances.

Pierce County

In March 2010 the Registered Counselor Program charged **Mayso Pickins** (RC00027296) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against his license. He also was convicted of attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle, driving under the influence, and driving while in suspended or revoked status.

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program granted the applications of certified nursing assistant **La'Dwayna L. White** (NA60071909, NC60102430) and placed the credentials on probation for one year. She was convicted of shoplifting. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration and certification.

Skagit County

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Jeri L. Earley** (RN00151205) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

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Snohomish County

In March 2010 the Dental Commission charged dentist **Curtis Duzzette Smith** (DE00004003) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly practiced below the standard of care by repeatedly failing to diagnose, treat, or record decay on two patients' teeth.

Spokane County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged **Loretta A. Clark** (NA60080398) with unprofessional conduct. Her application to practice as a licensed massage practitioner was denied.

In March 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Eileen Anne Smith** (CO60137285) and placed conditions against her certification. Her registered counselor registration is subject to an order imposing conditions. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

Whatcom County

In March 2010 the Medical Commission reinstated the license of physician **Joost L. Knops** (MD00031678). Dr. Knops' license is unrestricted in Washington.

Out of State

Idaho: In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Bowdeen Mac Arthur** (NC10081499) with unprofessional conduct. She was convicted of animal cruelty, and allegedly failed to disclose the conviction on her application to become a health care assistant.

Minnesota: In March 2010 the Medical Commission modified the agreed order against physician **Valerie L. Fox** (MD00045743). She must comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Oregon: In March 2010 the Medical Commission reinstated the license of physician **Thomas** Lee (MD00043402). Dr. Lee's license is unrestricted in Washington.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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